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SUBJECT: JULY 3 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. US BOMBING IN CAMBODIA UP 30-50 PERCENT IN LAST WEEK. DOD SPOKESMAN BEECHER SAYS INCREASE INVOLVES FIGHTER- BOMBERS, NOT B-52 S; DECISION TO STEPUP ACTIVITY MADE BY COMMANDERS IN FIELD IN RESPONSE TO INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY, AND FACILITATED BY BETTER WEATHER. SENATORS SCOTT AND FULBRIGHT TOLD SENATE FRIDAY THAT UNDER COMPROMISE ADMINISTRATION PLEDGED NOT TO ESCALATE RAIDS DURING REMAINING SIX WEEKS UNLESS PROVOKED BY MAJOR ENEMY THREAT. ASKED IF BOMBING INCREASE VIOLATED THIS " GENTLEMAN' S AGREEMENT", ZIEGLER SAID IT WAS NOT " INCONSISTENT" WITH THE COMPROMISE, AND THOUGH THE STEP- UP HAD NOT BEEN ANNOUNCED, HE UNDERSTOOD KEY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS HAD BEEN BRIEFED PRIOR TO WEEKEND VOTING ON THE COMPROMISE. HE ALSO SAID HE DID NOT KNOW ABOUT WHITE HOUSE ASSURANCES TO THE SENATORS, WHICH UNDERSTOOD TO COME FROM LAIRD / WP, SUN, PHINQ, NYDN CSM/.

2. KHMER TROOPS REPORT FINDING 800 BODIES, MOSTLY ENEMY TROOPS, ON BATTLEFIELDS NEAR THREE OF PP' S LIFELINE HIGHWAYS, APPARENTLY KILLED BY AIR AND ARTILLERY STRIKES LAST MONTH. HIGHWAY 5 STILL CLOSED, BUT ALL BUT TWO MILES REPORTED IN GOVERNMENT HANDS. GUERRILLAS HAVE ALSO CUT DEEP SLITS IN HIGHWAY 6 IN PATH OF ADVANCING KHMER FORCES. FIGHTING REPORTED AT KAMPOT; A " TOXIC GAS" ATTACK AGAINST GOVERNMENT TROOPS IN A BATTLE ALONG BANKS OF BASSAC RIVER 15 MILES FROM PP; AND 200 ENEMY DEAD IN FIERCE FIGHTING AROUND KOMPONG KANTUOT (WP).

3. NYT REPORTS KHMER AND COMMUNIST- LED TROOPS UNCLASSIFIED

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WATCHING EACH OTHER ACROSS TONLE SAP AT PREK KDAM, BUT HOLDING FIRE TO AVOID CIVILIAN CASUALTIES. GKR ALSO REPORTED TRUCK CONVOY FROM KOMPONG SOM REACHED PP VIA ROUTE 4 WITHOUT INCIDENT.

4. UPI REPORTS FROM VIENTIANE THAT SHARP CUTBACK IN AMERICAN CHARTER PILOTS FLYING FOR CIA IS UNDERWAY. AIR AMERICA REDUCING PILOTS BY ONE- THIRD AND TURNING OVER A DOZEN C-123 TRANSPORTS TO RLAF, AND CONTINENTAL AIR SERVICES CUTTING PLANES AND PILOTS BY HALF. REDUCTIONS DUE TO \$500 MILLION DOLLAR CUTBACK IN AID TO LAOS, CONTINUING US DISENGAGEMENT, AND DECREASING MILITARY ACTIVITY SINCE CEASEFIRE (NYT).

5. GVN REPORTS 9 CEASEFIRE VIOLATIONS INCLUDING HEAVY FIGHTING NEAR KONTUM, AND ATTEMPTED COMMANDO RAID ON AMMO DUMP NEAR SAIGON (WP, NYT).

6. CANADIAN AND HUNGARIAN OFFICIALS MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF TWO VIETNAMESE SIDES TO DISCUSS RELEASE OF TWO MISSING CANADIAN OFFICERS. BUREAUCRATIC PROCEDURES AND ICCS- JMC WRANGLING ARE BELIEVED TO BE MAIN HOLD- UP CAUSES. MG MCALPINE (CANDEL) ALSO MET SEPERATELY WITH MG HOANG ANH TUAN (VC DEL TO JMC). GENERAL TUAN REPORTED TO HAVE TOLD MCALPINE CANADIAN OFFICERS WERE NOT ON COMMISSION BUSINESS BUT RATHER TRAVELING ON " UNKNOWN PERSONAL PURPOSE", DISAPPEARANCE HAD NO BEARING ON C- F AGREEMENT, AND MEN NOT VC RESPONSIBILITY. " BUT, WITH GOODWILL", HE ADDED, THE VC " ARE WILLING TO ASSIST THE CANADIAN DELEGATION WITH THIS PROBLEM" (NYT, WP).

7. MALCOLM BROWNE, IN PP (NYT), OBSERVES THAT TWISTS OF CAMBODIAN POLITICS MAKE A SETTLEMENT DOUBTFUL. THERE WAS SURPRISE IN PP AT WORD FROM WASHINGTON THAT WAR COULD BE ENDED BY " EXTREMELY DELICATE" NEGOTIATIONS SUPPOSEDLY UNDER WAY BETWEEN THREE DISTINCT CAMBODIAN FACTIONS: GKR, SIHANOUK' S EXILE GOVERNMENT, AND KI IN CAMBODIA. NOTES THAT SIHANOUK IN NYT INTERVIEW DENIED HIS GOVERNMENT
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OR INSURGENT FORCES INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH PP. IN SPEECH LAST WEEK HE ALSO SAID US HAD " CATEGORICALLY AND DEFINITELY" TURNED DOWN HIS OFFER OF NEGOTIATIONS, AND WAR COULD ONLY END WHEN AMERICANS WITHDREW SUPPORT OF LON NOL. REAL MYSTERY IS INSURGENTS. THEIR IDENTITY, LEADERSHIP, POLITICAL TENDENCIES, AND INVOLVEMENT OF FOREIGN ALLIES ARE AMONG MOST DISPUTED TOPICS IN PP. QUESTION OF WHETHER CONFLICT IS EXTENSION OF VN WAR OR CIVIL WAR HINGES ON ANSWERS. LON NOL SEES INSURGENTS AS HANOI FRONT. US OFFICIALS SEE VIETNAMESE ROLE AS PIVOTAL, BUT ARGUE MOST FIGHTING DONE BY ETHNIC CAMBODIANS. SIGNIFICANTLY, GOVERNMENT FORCES HAVE TAKEN NO VIET PRISONERS IN LONG TIME. KER CHIENG, DEFECTOR FROM SIHANOUK' S ENTOURAGE, SAYS PRINCE HAS NO CONTACT WITH INSURGENTS. LEADERSHIP OF INSURGENTS ATTRIBUTED TO THREE MEN, KHIEU- SAMPHAN, HOU YOUN, AND/ OR HU NIM, WHO MAY OR MAY NOT BE ALIVE. INSURGENTS LINKS WITH HANOI ARE ALSO CLOUDED. NO " VANGUARD PARTY" HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED, AND NO CAMBODIAN PARTY HAS EMERGED WITH RECOGNITION IN MOSCOW OR PEKING. IF NEGOTIATIONS ARE UNDERWAY THEY MAY CLARIFY WHO IS FIGHTING ON OTHER SIDE. IF SUCH REVELATIONS ARE NOT YET AT HAND, PEACE IS PROBABLY A LONG WAY

OFF STILL.

8. DRV PRESS SAYS HANOI HAS RECEIVED WORD FROM US THAT MINESWEEPING IS COMPLETED AT ENTRANCES TO HAIPHONG, HON GAI, AND CAM PHA. HANOI SAYS US NAVY WOULD NOT HAVE TO CONTINUE SWEEPING OTHER MARITIME AREAS AND SUPPLY NVN WITH " APPROPATE MEANS" FOR SWEEPING RIVER ROUTES. NO INFO ON HOW MANY MINES WERE SWEEPED. US PACIFIC COMMAND ALSO REPORTED THAT A MINESWEEPING HELICOPTER MADE FORCED LANDING AT SEA, ALL FOUR CREWMEN RESCUED (NYT).

9. LIPPMAN (WP) REPORTS THAT SVN DENIED YESTERDAY IN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE THAT IT HOLDS ANY POLITICAL PRISONERS, AND DEFENDED CONDITIONS IN ITS PRISONS AS HUMANE AND FAIR. STATEMENT SAYS CHARGES ARE RESULT OF " CAMPAIGN OF INTOXICATION ORCHESTRATED BY INTER-NATIONAL COMMUNISM". SAIGON IS MOST SENSITIVE ON UNCLASSIFIED

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THIS ISSUE, AND STATEMENT WAS COUPLED WITH ANNOUNCEMENT THAT ASAHI SHIMBUN CORRESPONDENT WAS TO BE EXPELLED BECAUSE PAPER SAID SAIGON HOLDS 300,000 PRISONERS. SPOKESMAN FOR NEWSPAPER SAYS FIGURE WAS TRANSLATION ERROR AND ACTUAL ESTIMATE IS 100,000 TO 200,000. WHILE MOST CRITICISM DOES COME FROM DRV AND VC, MOST FOREIGNERS HERE CAN ATTEST GOVERNMENT'S HANDS ARE NOT ENTIRELY CLEAN BY US STANDARDS.

10. GOVERNMENT DISTINGUISHES BETWEEN COMMUNISTS AND COMMON CRIMINALS. THE FORMER, WHOSE NUMBER IS GIVEN AS 5,081, ARE TO BE TURNED OVER TO NVN UNDER TERMS OF PARIS AGREEMENT. LATTER HOWEVER ARE NOT COVERED.

11. WIDE COVERAGE IS GIVEN PRESIDENT'S INVITATION TO HUANG CHEN TO SAN CLEMENTE FRIDAY. THERE IS GENERAL SPECULATION THAT CAMBODIA MAY BE HIGH ON AGENDA AND THAT HAK MAY SOON FLY TO PEKING FOR PRC HELP IN SECURING CAMBODIA CEASE- FIRE AGREEMENT OR PERHAPS TO MEET SIHANOUK.

12. WITH OTHERS, GWERTZMAN (NYT) SUGGESTS TIMING OF INVITATION SEEMS TO SUGGEST NIXON WANTS TO BALANCE FAVORABLE PUBLICITY GIVEN BREZHNEV'S US VISIT WITH SPECIAL GESTURE TO CHINA. POST'S MARDER SEES " UNUSUAL INVITATION" TO HUANG SHOWING THAT HE IS " VIRTUALLY PEKING'S AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON IN ALL BUT FORMALITIES." MARDER SUGGESTS THAT PEKING " PRESUMABLY SEEKS FURTHER INFORMATION" ABOUT NIXON-BREZHNEV TALKS, AND HUANG'S TRIP TO CALIFORNIA CAN ALSO SERVE TO PREPARE FOR POSSIBLE CHOU VISIT

TO US AND ANOTHER PRC VISIT BY NIXON.

13. DURDIN (NYT), IN HONG KONG, NOTES THAT 52 ND ANNIVERSARY OF CCP JULY 1 PASSED WITHOUT CELEBRATION, - SUGGESTING THAT THE PARTY MAY STILL NOT HAVE DISAPPEARANCE AND PERISTING AFTER EFFECTS OF CULTURAL REVOLUTION.

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14. FLORA LEWIS (NYT), IN PARIS, CONTENTS THAT WHILE THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF COORDINATION OF TIMING BETWEEN FRENCH AND CHINESE NUCLEAR TESTING, IT IS REPORTED AUTHORITATIVELY THAT FRANCE HAS BEEN ENCOURAGED BY PEKING TO GO AHEAD WITH ITS ATOMIC TESTS. " FRENCH REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEEN TOLD BY THE CHINESE THAT THEY SHOULD IGNORE THE OPPOSITION TO THEIR NUCLEAR FORCE FROM THE FRENCH 'PSEUDO- COMMUNIST PARTY WHICH IS ONLY IN THE SERVICE OF MOSCOW.," RADIATION OVER JAPAN AND SK REPORTED 2,000-3,000 TIMES HIGHER THAN NORMAL FOLLOWING LAST WEEK' S CHINESE NUCLEAR TEST (WP, CSM, PHINQ). FALLOUT EXPECTED TO REACH CONTINENTAL US TONIGHT OR EARLY WEDNESDAY (AP, WP). BIPARTISAN GROUP OF EIGHT SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES IS LATEST OF SEVERAL CONGRESSIONAL PARTIES IN CHINA. REP. PETTIS (R- CALIF.) SAYS LA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS " DROOLING" OVER " FANTASTIC EXPORT PROTENTIAL" FOR CALIFORNIA' S AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY AND PRODUCE (LAT' S HOUSTON, JULY 1). SUPREME COURT JUSTICE DOUGLAS PLANS TWO OR THREE WEEK CHINA VISIT IN AUGUST (UPI, WP).

15. IN ANNOUNCING TEMPORARY EMBARGO ON MOST IRON AND STEEL SCRAP EXPORTS, COMMERCE SEC. DENT DISCLOSES THAT JAPAN HAS AGREED TO DEFER UNTIL NEXT YEAR SHIPPING ONE MILLION TONS OF SCRAP PREVIOUSLY ORDERED AND WILL SPREAD OUT REMAINING SHIPMENTS FOR THIS YEAR TO MINIMIZE DISRUPTION OF U. S. DOMESTIC SUPPLY (WSJ; SUN, PINE). AT SAME TIME, USDA ANNOUNCES REPLACEMENT OF LAST WEEK' S BRIEF EMBARGO ON SOYBEAN SHIPMENTS WITH SYSTEM OF EXPORT LICENSES. JAPAN WILL GET SOME ADDITONAL SHIPMENTS UNDER NEW SYSTEM (NYT, DALE; WP, EGAN; PHINQ).

16. MITI VICE MINISTER SHIOKAWA LEAVES FOR US TODAY TO URGE US LIFT EXPORT EMBARGO ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE AND SCRAP IRON (UPI NYDN, NYT).

17. IN INTERVIEW WITH LAT' S JAMESON, NEW JAPANESE
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AMB. YASUKAWA FORESEES NO DRASTIC OR DRAMATIC EVENTS IN US- JAPANESE RELATIONS IN NEAR FUTURE. AMBASSADOR HOPES US WILL NOT GO " TO FAR IN SO- CALLED RAPPROCHEMENT WITH CHINA AT THE SACRIFICE OF THE INTERESTS OF JAPAN", SEES MST AND US BASES IN JAPAN AS POTENTIAL -- BUT NOT PROBABLE -- SORE SPOTS, AND CAUTIONS THAT US MUST NOT EXPECT JAPAN TO SHOULDER ADDITIONAL MILITARY BURDENS; ASKS THAT HE HAVE SAME ACCESS TO WHITE HOUSE THAT US AMBASSADOR HAS WITH TANAKA; EXPECTS NIXON- TANAKA TALKS TO FOCUS ON BROAD ISSUES, THER THAN ON SPECIFICSASIN PAST. TANAKA SAYS PEKING SHOULD JOIN IMF AND ASSIST IN CREATING NEW INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM (AP, CSM).

18. GLOBE' S SNOW (JUNE 30) IN TOKYO REPORTS THAT JAPANESE ARE NOT YET AN ENDANGERED SPECIES BECAUSE OF POLLUTION, BUT, AS HAS NOW BEEN WELL ADVERTIZED, THERE HAVE DEVELOPED SEVERAL RARE, POLLUTION- RELATED DISEASES WHICH A PECULIAR TO JAPAN. WITH A SUDDEN SENSE OF APPREHENSION ABOUT ALL THIS, JAPAN' S SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS ARE BUSILY DEVELOPING NEW TECHNIQUES TO SANITIZE INDUSTRY, WHILE ECONOMISTS ARE TALKING ABOUT EXILING SOME OF IT BY BUILDING PRODUCTION PLANTS ABROAD.

19. LAT' S SHANNON NOTES THAT IN INVITING NK TO ESTABLISH PERMANENT OBSERVER' S OFFICE AT UN, WALDHEIM GAVE " INDIRECT CONFIRMATION" THAT US HAS NO OBJECTION (LAT, JUNE 30).

20. NK ACCUSES US AND SK OF SENDING SPIES TO TRY TO BLOW UP NK ARMORIES AND POWER MAGAZINES AND FIND PLACES SUITABLE FOR LANDING AIRBORNE TROOPS (AP, WP).

21. LAT' S DAVID LAMB (JULY 1) DESCRIBES ARCHAIC AUSTRALIAN LIBEL LAWS PREVENTING DISCLOSURE OF ANYTHING LIKE WATERGATE. GOA MINISTER FOR MEDIA, SENATOR MCCLELLAND, SAYS THESE LAWS REPRESENT " HAZARD TO HONEST REPORTING" AND MAKE IMPOSSIBLE THE TYPE OF INVESTIGATIVE WORK THAT HELPED OPEN UP WATERGATE. HE PROMISED TO PUSH FOR UNIFORM UNCLASSIFIED

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LIBEL LAW TO END CONSTANT THREAT OF DAMAGES WHICH MAKE AUSTRALIAN PRESS MORE TIMID AND LESS CRUSADING THAN IT SHOULD BE. KEY PHRASE IN LIBEL LAWS OF FOUR OF AUSTRALIA' S SIX STATES IS THAT TRUTH IS A DEFENSE ONLY IF THE STATEMENT CAN BE PROVED TO BE OF " PUBLIC BENEFIT." SINCE NO COURT HAS DETERMINED

WHAT CONSTITUTES PUBLIC BENEFIT, EDITORS OFTEN DECIDE:

" WHEN IN DOUBT, LEAVE IT OUT."

KIRK ANNOUNCES HE HAS ACCEPTED INVITATION FROM PRES.
TO VISIT US, WILL COME AFTER COMMONWEALTH PM'S
CONFERENCE. ADDS THAT NZ IS CONSIDERING PROTEST
TO US AGAINST LATEST UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TEST
IN NEVADA. " I CANNOT UNDERSTAND HOW ANYONE

CAN MOVE CLOSER TO PEACE BY PREPARING BIGGER AND
STRONGER WEAPONS OF WAR" (WP).

22. MARCOS INAUGURATES NEW \$12 MILLION BRIDGE.
FEELS IT WILL BE FOCAL POINT OF UNITY AMONG
FILIPINOS BY LINKING CENTRAL VISAYAS AREA AND
SOUTHERN MINDANAO WITH LUZON (UPI, WP).

23. ISAACS (SUN), IN JAKARTA, REPORTS / GREEN
REVOLUTION" FALTERING AND EXPERTS ARE TAKING
CRITICAL SECOND LOOK AT FORECASTS THAT NEW MIRACLE
RICE WOULD FEED ASIA'S MILLIONS UNTIL POPULATION
GROWTH CAN BE CONTROLLED.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

24. POST SAYS PRESIDENT'S AGREEMENT TO HALT ALL COMBAT
ACTIVITIES IN INDOCHINA BY AUGUST 15 INDICATES THAT
CONGRESS HAS FINALLY ACQUIRED ITS CONSTITUTIONALLY
APPROPRIATE SHARE OF WARMAKING POWERS WITH RESPECT TO
INDOCHINA AS WELL AS A COMMENSURATE SHARE OF RESPONSIBILITY
FOR WHAT MAY FOLLOW. THINKS PRES. WOULD BE WISE
TO HALT BOMBING NOW. CAMBODIAN BOMBING HAS MOSTLY
SERVED TO ENCOURAGE PP TO AVOID NEGOTS BY MAKING STATUS
QUO MORE ATTRACTIVE THAN SETTLEMENT. BOMBING HALT WILL
ALSO REMOVE FROM THE KI THE PRETEXT OF NEEDING DIRECT
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SUPPORT FROM NVN; THIS COULD HELP PROMOTE A " CAMBODIAN"
SOLUTION. IN AGREEING TO AUG. 15 DEADLINE, CONGRESS AND
PRES. HAVE DECLARED, IN EFFECT, THAT IT IS NOT VITALLY
IMPORTANT TO US WHETHER THOSE WHO GOVERN CAMBODIA ARE
RESPONSIVE TO WASHINGTON'S WILL.

25. PHINQ OBSERVES THAT LON NOL IS NEITHER STRONGER NOR
POLITICALLY AND MILITARILY MORE PROMISING BECAUSE
OF BOMBING, AND ALMOST EVERY INFORMED ANALYSIS SEES HIS
REGIME INEVITABLY THE LOSING SIDE IN CIVIL WAR. NO
AMOUNT OF US TINKERING OR TNT HAS CHANGED THAT SINCE
JANUARY OR BEFORE; NOR IS IT LIKELY TO BY AUG. 15. SIX
AND A HALF WEEK EXTENSION OF AMERICA'S INDEFENSIBLE
WAR IS INTOLERABLE; BUT IT IS REALITY. NOTHING MUST BE
ALLOWED TO DELAY US' FINAL WITHDRAWAL BEYOND AUG. 15.

26. NYDN COMMENTS THAT WHETHER AUG. 15 DEADLINE WILL PROMOTE OR UNDERCUT INDOCHINA SETTLEMENT PROSPECTS REMAINS TO BE SEEN. PRESIDENT'S 09234 59 574, 79.78, & 9034-589, SON AND OFF WAS POWERFUL HOLE CARD IN HIS EFFORTS TO COMPEL NVN FULFILLMENT OF TRUCE PLEDGES. WITHOUT IT, HE WILL HAVE TO FALL BACK ON DIPLOMATIC SKILL AND WHATEVER INDIRECT PRESSURE CAN BE PUT ON HANOI THROUGH MOSCOW AND PEKING.

27. GLOBE (JULY 2) AGREES WITH SENATOR MANSFIELD THAT AUG. 15 CUTOFF DATE "WAS A CAPITULATION AND AN ABDICATION OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS OF CONGRESS." NOTING THAT PRES. RESERVED RIGHT "TO PROPOUND NEW REASONS FOR CONTINUED BOMBING WHEN AUG. 15 ARRIVES," SAYS CONGRESSIONAL CAPITULATORS WOULD DO WELL TO BE ON ALERT IN INTERVENING WEEKS. ON OTHER HAND, SON (JULY 2) SEES AUG. 15 CUTOFF AS REASONABLE EXTENSION, A SATISFACTORY WAY OUT OF DIFFICULT IMPASSE. SON SAYS IT SUPPORTS AN END TO CAMBODIA BOMBING, ADDING, HOWEVER, THAT WITH USSR-US SUMMIT BARELY CONCLUDED, AND WITH NEGOTIATIONS ON CAMBODIA IN DELICATE PHASE, ENDING BOMBING NOW COULD HAVE PROVED INJURIOUS.

28. JOE KRAFT (SUN, WP) SAYS END RESULT IN CAMBODIA HAS BEEN FOREGONE CONCLUSION: LON NOL CAN PROBABLY RETAIN A UNCLASSIFIED

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SHARE OF AUTHORITY; SIHANOUK WILL GET A PIECE OF THE ACTION; KI WILL HAVE LION'S SHARE OF AUTHORITY INCLUDING OCCUPATION OF BORDER SANCTUARIES THREATENING SVN, WHICH IS MILITARILY POWERFUL AND AGAINST WHICH PRC-USSR RIVALRY OPERATE AS A CONSTRAINT TO ANY MAJOR COMMUNIST OFFENSIVE. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, ACCORDING KRAFT, THERE WAS A DIVISION WITHIN THE ADMINISTRATION LAST WEEK WHEN CONGRESS BEGAN PASSING BOMB-BAN MEASURES. HIGHEST RANKING DOS PROFESSIONALS IN SAIGON EMBASSY AND WASHINGTON DID NOT THINK CONTINUED BOMBING WAS THAT IMPORTANT TO ULTIMATE SETTLEMENT, AND WERE PREPARED TO STOP BOMBING RIGHT AWAY. BUT PRES., HAK AND HAIG STAKED THEIR REPUTATION ON EFFICACY OF BOMBING. AUG. 15 EXTENSION IS VIRTUALLY MEANINGLESS SINCE THE COMMUNISTS COULD EASILY PUT OFF NEGOTS IN CAMBODIA UNTIL AFTER AUG. 15.

29. LAT'S MCARTHUR (JULY 1) IN SAIGON EXPECTS AUG. 26 GVN SENATE ELECTION TO RANK AMONG DULLEST OF SUCH CAMPAIGNS. UNLIKE SIMILAR ELECTION THREE YEARS AGO WHEN 10 CANDIDATES BACKED BY MILITANT BUDDHISTS WERE CLEAR FRONT-RUNNERS, NO VIABLE OPPOSITION APPEARS LIKELY IN FORTHCOMING CAMPAIGN. THIS TIME MILITANT BUDDHISTS DECLINED TO BACK ANYBODY; THEIR IDEOLOGICAL LEADER, THICH TRI QUANG, HAS SAID VIRTUALLY NOTHING IN MONTHS - LITTLE

SINCE NVN'S 1972 MILITARY OFFENSIVE GREATLY STRENGTHENED THIEU'S POLITICAL STANDING. SUCH LONG TIME RIVALS AS NGUYEN CAO KY AND BIG MINH HAVE LARGELY SUBSIDED INTO NONPOLITICAL HOBBIES. PRESS IS LARGELY COWED WHERE IT IS NOT MUZZLED OUTRIGHT. WITH HOLD-OVER SUPPORTERS IN THE SENATE, THIEU WILL HAVE AT LEAST A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY PARALLELING SITUATION IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. INDICATIONS ARE THAT WHEN HE FEELS TIME IS RIPE HE WILL USE THAT MAJORITY FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE ENABLING HIM TO RUN AGAIN.

30. LAT'S ELEGANT (JUNE 30) IN HONG KONG COMMENTS THAT PRC NUCLEAR TEST WAS TIMED TO IMPRESS WASHINGTON AND MOSCOW THAT NO AGREEMENT ON PREVENTING NUCLEAR WAR COULD OPERATE WITHOUT PRC'S PARTICIPATION. OTHER OBJECTIVE OF TEST WAS TO STRENGTHEN WE'S FALTERING MOVEMENT TOWARD ECON AND POL UNIFICATION. ALTHOUGH PEKING IN PRACTICE UNCLASSIFIED

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PLAYS DOWN US THREAT, CHINESE DOCTRINE HOLDS THAT US AND USSR SEEK HEGEMONY OVER EUROPE - WEST AND EAST. PEKING THEREFORE ANXIOUS TO ENCOURAGE FRANCE TO CARRY OUT HER OWN NUCLEAR TEST, SINCE INDEPENDENT NUCLEAR CAPABILITY MAKES FOR WE'S POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF SUPERPOWERS. MOREOVER, PEKING ANXIOUS TO HEARTEN EUROPEANS BY DEMONSTRATING THAT CHINA COULD RETALIATE AGAINST USSR IF IT SHOULD MOVE MILITARILY IN EUROPE. NOTES THAT "RED FLAG" MAKES DISTINCTION "BETWEEN PRIMARY ENEMY AND THE SECONDARY ENEMY AND BETWEEN TEMPORARY ALLIES AND INDIRECT ALLIES." BY CHINESE ANALYSIS, US IS SECONDARY ENEMY AND TEMPORARY ALLY; USSR, PRIMARY AND DIRECT ENEMY. CITES CHOU AS SAYING THAT ENLARGING GREAT-POWER CLUB BY THE ADDITION OF CHINA, WE AND JAPAN WOULD MAKE THE INTERNATIONAL POWER BALANCE MORE VIABLE AND FLEXIBLE. FIRST REQUISITE FOR MEMBERSHIP IS NUCLEAR CAPABILITY.

31. IN JULY 1 ARTICLE, LAT'S ELEGANT NOTES INTELLECTUAL ACROBATICS AND INTRICATE POLICY MANEUVERS PRC GOES THROUGH IN EXPLAINING ITS POPULATION POLICY AS REFLECTED IN LITTLE-NOTED SPEECH DELIVERED BY CHI LUNG, PRC REP AT LAST ECAFE SESSION. SEES MENTAL ACROBATICS AND INTRICATE POLICY MANEUVERS A RESULT OF MARXIST REJECTION OF FEAR OF OVERPOPULATION AND PEKING'S INABILITY TO CONTROL POPULATION EXPLOSION. AS EXAMPLE, CITES CHI LUNG AS SAYING "WE HOLD THAT, OF ALL THINGS IN THE WORLD, PEOPLE ARE THE MOST PRECIOUS.... THEY ARE FIRST OF ALL PRODUCERS AND THEN CONSUMERS. AS PRODUCERS, THEY CEASELESSLY CONCENTRATE ON PRODUCTION IN BREADTH AND DEPTH AND CAN PRODUCE MORE THAN THEY CONSUME," MEANWHILE CONCEDED THAT "OUR EXPERIENCE IN PLANNED CHILDBIRTH IS STILL NOT SUFFICIENT AND WE MUST CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS."

32. VISITING MANILA, GLOBE'S CROCKER SNOW (JULY 1)
REMARKS THAT IN ITS MORE ENDURING SENSE, MARCOS' MARTIAL
LAW HAS BEEN AN ALL- ENCOMPASSING GAMBLE TO PREPARE FOR
ECONOMIC CRUNCH TO FOLLOW 1974 EXPIRATION OF LAUREL-
LANGLEY. FINDS PRELIMINARY PROGNOSIS TO BE SLIGHTLY
PROMISING: PHIL GNP GROWTH CLIMBED BACK TO AN ACCEPTABLE
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BROUGHT INFLUX OF FOREIGN INVESTMENTS. WITH EASING OF
RESTRICTIONS ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND WITH IMMINENT
END OF LAUREL- LANGLEY, JAPANESE AND EUROPEAN INVESTORS
HAVE MORE THAN KEPT PACE WITH AMERICANS. JAPANESE
HAVE MADE BIG INROADS INTO OUR BILATERAL TRADE, ACCORDING
TO RANKING US OFFICIAL IN MANILA, PARTLY BECAUSE OF OUR
LAZINESS IN RELYING ON LAUREL- LANGLEY. SNOW CONCLUDES
THAT IF VALUE OF PHIL EXPORTS CONTINUES TO GROW AND NEW
FOREIGN INVESTORS CONTINUE TO SHOW INTEREST , PHILS MAY
BE IN FOR HAPPY SURPRISE IN THE EASE WITH WHICH THEY BREAK
AWAY FROM US ECONOMIC APRON STRINGS.

33. PHINQ'S ROBERT SCHWABACH WRITES ABOUT DR. ROSALIND
TING'S SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY TO CHINA. DR. TING IS
PHYSICIAN AT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN PHILADELPHIA;
NATURALIZED AMERICAN WHO GRADUATED FROM SHANGHAI MEDICAL
COLLEGE. DR. TING, WHOSE PARENTS TEACH SCHOOL NEAR
PEKING, SAYS THERE IS A GREAT DEAL TO ACUPUNCTURE, BUT
POINTS OUT DANGER OF TREATMENT BECOMING A CULT IN THE
US. IN CHINA, OBSERVES THAT WOMEN ARE COMPLETELY
EQUAL; ILLITERACY HAS ALMOST DISAPPEARED; AGREES THAT THE
RAPIDITY OF CHANGES IN CHINA IS ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT
TO GRASP FOR BOTH CHINESE AND WESTERNERS. RUSH

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